Naxal attacks in States

†1713. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards continuous increase in incidents of naxalite attacks in Chhattisgarh, Orissa and Bihar;

(b) if so, the action taken to check such incidents;

(c) whether Government have formulated any action plan for complete solution of naxalite problem; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) to (d) Several monitoring mechanisms have been set-up. These include a periodical review by the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) of the naxal situation, a Standing Committee of the Chief Ministers of the naxal affected States chaired by the Union Home Minister, quarterly Coordination Centre meetings chaired by the Union Home Secretary with the Chief Secretaries and the Directors General of Police of the Affected States and the monthly Task Force Meetings of Nodal officers of naxal affected States and Central agencies etc.

In accordance with the decision taken at 2nd meeting of the Standing Committee chaired by the Prime Minister on 13th April, 2006, the States have finalized comprehensive but realistic action plans with short-term and long-term approaches and strategies to combat the naxalite menace simultaneously on political security and development fronts. Infrastructure development, land reforms, housing, development of agriculture, education, health, employment including special recruitment drive to fill up vacancies in State police forces, strengthening intelligence set-up, protection and safety of railway passengers and infrastructure, meaningful implementation of PESA, tribal-forest interface issues etc. are addressed under the action plans.

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